

VEHICLE SAFETY DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE NOTICES RECEIVED DURING MARCH 2006

Toyota is recalling 12,020 MY 2006 Tacoma pickup trucks. The bead of the tire may be damaged due to improper assembly of the tires onto the wheels. If the vehicle is operated in this condition, there is a possibility that a bulge may be formed on the sidewall and air may leak from the area of the damaged bead and a crash could occur. Dealers will inspect the tires and replace if necessary free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during mid-March 2006. 06V-061

Starcraft RV is recalling 79 MY 2006 Travel Star and Antigua travel trailers built with the optional fuel station and equipped with a Great Plains fuel pump. The fuel pump can leak fuel. Fuel leakage, in the presence of an ignition source, could result in a fire. Dealers will replace the defective pumps free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during March 2006. 06V-062

Triumph is recalling 33 MY 2006 Rocket motorcycles. The handle bar clamp bolts were not sufficiently tightened. The handle bars could loosen which could result in a crash or personal injury. Dealers will inspect the torque of the clamp bolts and tighten if necessary. The recall began on March 16, 2006. 06V-063

Nissan is recalling 427 MY 2006 Titan King Cab light trucks for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 206, "Door Locks and Door Retention Components." An arc weld is missing on some right side rear door upper latch assemblies. This may result in the right side doors coming partially open increasing the risk of injury to occupants. Dealers will replace the upper latch assembly free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on April 15, 2006. 06V-064

Charles Machine Works is recalling 479 MY 2000-2005 Ditch Witch T18S trailers for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 223, "Rear Impact Guards." Proper rear impact guards were not installed on these trailers. If a crash occurs, the trailer will not have proper guards that would eliminate less striking force to the trailer increasing the risk of personal injuries. Dealers will install the proper rear impact guards free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during March 2006. 06V-065

GM is recalling 805,368 MY 1999-2000 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra Pickup trucks. These trucks have galvanized-braided-steel tailgate support cables used to support the tailgate in the full open (horizontal) position. Over time these cables can corrode and fracture when loads are applied to them. If one cable fractures, the remaining cable may retain the tailgate in a horizontal position. If both cables fracture, the tailgate would drop and strike the top surface of the rear bumper. If anyone is sitting or standing on the horizontal surface of the tailgate when both cables fractured, they could fall and be injured. On vehicles without a bumper, the tailgate may drop to a lower position. Dealers will replace the galvanized support cables with stainless steel support cables. In addition, dealers are to inspect the tailgate hinge and replace it, if necessary. The recall is expected to begin during April 2006. This recall was the subject of an Engineering Analysis, EA05-007, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation. 06V-066

DaimlerChrysler is recalling 268,800 MY 2005-2006 Dodge Durango, Caravan, Chrysler Grand Caravan and Town & Country sport utility vehicles and vans. The front windshield wiper motor armature shaft may break. During certain operating conditions, loss of front windshield wiping capability could occur, and the driver's vision could be obscured which could result in a crash. Dealers will inspect and replace the windshield wiper motor. The recall began on June 19, 2006, with letters being mailed to Dodge Durango owners. Minivan owners will be notified during July 2006. 06V-067

Mitsubishi is recalling 4,359 MY 2005 Endeavor sport utility vehicles. The material used to manufacture the front disc brake calipers may be brittle due to improper metallurgy. This could cause fracture of the brake caliper and subsequent unexpected partial loss of braking force, which could result in a vehicle crash. Dealers will inspect and replace the front brake caliper if necessary. The recall is expected to begin during April 2006. 06V-068

Ford is recalling 12,728 MY 2005-2006 Freestar and Mercury Monterey vans equipped with the power liftgate option. The power liftgate motor automatically disengages after the liftgate is powered open. In the event of a liftgate strut malfunction, the liftgate can fall freely with no prior warning. Anyone standing beneath the liftgate may be injured if the liftgate falls. Dealers will reprogram the power liftgate module to reduce the likelihood that the liftgate could fall. The recall began on March 13, 2006. 06V-069

Roadtrek is recalling 51 MY 2006 210 Class B motor homes built on Chevrolet chassis. When the rear axle lift kit was installed, the U-bolt nuts were tightened properly. A loose rear axle can create a sluggish driving feeling, rear bouncing, and loud banging noise, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect and retighten the U-bolts. The recall is expected to begin during March 2006. 06V-070

Glaval is recalling 177 MY 2005-2006 transit buses equipped with seat belts. The T-nut which holds the seat leg to the floor track is missing machined bevels. In the event of a crash, without the bevels, the sharp edge could come through the floor track increasing the risk of injury to seat occupants. Owners will be provided with the necessary parts to replace the T-nuts. The recall began on March 8, 2006. 06V-071

DaimlerChrysler is recalling 27 MY 2006 Jeep Liberty sport utility vehicles for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 206, "Door Locks and Door Retention Components." An incorrect right front door latch reinforcement plate may have been installed which may cause the secondary door latch to become inoperative. This increases the possibility of a door becoming forced open and an unbelted passenger being ejected during certain crash conditions. Dealers will inspect the latch assembly and replace the right front door latch reinforcement plate free of charge. The recall began on March 13, 2006. 06V-072

DaimlerChrysler is recalling 271 MY 2006 Dodge Ram 3500 trucks equipped with dual rear wheels for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment." The trucks may have been inadvertently manufactured without the roof mounted cab clearance lamps. Without these lamps, other vehicle operators may not detect the increased width of the vehicle which could cause a

crash without warning. Dealers will install cab clearance lights free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during March 2006. 06V-073

Crane Carrier is recalling an undetermined quantity of MY 2004-2006 WS truck chassis cabs for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 205, 'Glazing Materials.' The windshield installed was solid tempered glass instead of the intended laminated glass. A failure of the tempered glass would allow small pieces of glass to enter the driver's compartment causing possible injury to the driver and loss of vehicle control. Crane Carrier will inspect the windshield glass to determine if it requires replacement. Crane will then locate or assist in locating an automotive glass specialty shop in the customer's area and will authorize the repair. 06V-074

Federal Coach is recalling 12 MY 2003-2005 vans built on Ford E-450 and MY 2004 GMC C-550 chassis and equipped with Sure-Lok wheelchair securement systems. The sprocket teeth of the retractor assembly is out of alignment. In the event of a vehicle crash, the wheelchair may not be adequately secured possibly resulting in injuries to a wheelchair occupant. Dealers will inspect and replace the wheelchair securement retractors as necessary. Sure-Lok is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. 06V-075

Four Winds is recalling 65 MY 2005 Mandalay motor homes built on Freightliner chassis and equipped with I-shafts supplied by ZF Heavy Duty Steering. The steering shaft assemblies with lower yokes may have been incorrectly machined. The steering shaft splines could push through the lower yoke, allowing the steering wheel to turn without any response. If this occurs, the vehicle could suffer loss of steering control which could result in a crash. Freightliner is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Freightliner will inspect and attach a tension collar to the steering shaft to secure the connection to the yoke free of charge. 06V-076

International is recalling 133 MY 2006 9400i 6X4 trucks. The hose connecting the engine block to the frame is routed near the engine's turbocharger. Heat from the turbocharger may cause the hose to melt. If melting of the hose occurs, engine oil could spray upward onto the surface of the turbocharger housing possibly causing smoke or a fire. This may lead to property damage, personal injury or death. Dealers will replace the hose and a Kevlar reflective heat wrap will be installed over the new hose free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on April 21, 2006. 06V-077

Jayco is recalling 44 MY 2003 Firenza motor homes built on Workhorse chassis and equipped with ACTIA Corporate instrument clusters for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 101 "Controls and Displays" and No. 105 "Hydraulic and Electric Brake Systems." The incorrect software programmed into the instrument panel cluster such that certain driver warnings required by FMVSS 101 and 105 are not displayed. As a result of this incorrect software, the instrument panel cluster may fail to illuminate warning lamps indicating brake system failure codes. Drivers would not be warned of brake system failures. Jayco is working with Workhorse to notify owners and have the repair performed on their vehicles. 06V-079

KZRV is recalling 2,483 MY 2006 Coyote, Durango, Frontier, Jag, Sportsmen, Sportster, and Spree towable travel trailers for failing to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 110, 'Tire Selection and Rims.' These trailers are missing the tire information placard. This does not meet the requirements of the standard. Owners will be sent a placard along with installation instructions. The recall is expected to begin on or before March 24, 2006. This recall was the subject of an investigation, PE-110-060306, conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance. 06V-081

Jayco is recalling 1,107 MY 2003-2005 Greyhawk, Granite Ridge, Eagle, Escapade, and Starcraft Ambient motor homes built on Ford E-Series chassis. The air filter element material process resulted in an air filter paper element that can smolder or burn. This change in filter paper composition combined with the configuration of the air induction system, may allow hot carbon particles to contact the air filter element during certain driving conditions that create hot particles. These hot particles may ignite the air filter element with the potential for air induction system damage or underhood fire. Ford is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Dealers will inspect and replace the air filter element. 06V-082

Jayco is recalling 21 MY 2005 Avatar motor homes equipped with NGI air pressure gauges located on the dash panel. The gauge is giving a false reading. This may cause the park brake to engage without warning, thus throwing the passenger forward, increasing the risk of injury to occupants. Spartan is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Dealers will install a harness jumper cable to each air sender. 06V-083

Jayco is recalling 183 MY 2005 Seneca motor homes built on Chevrolet chassis were produced with a body wiring harness with no protective conduit in the area under the driver's feet to reduce the potential for harness wear. The body wiring harness includes SDM wiring that could be damaged from chafing and wear by the vehicle operators. This could result in inadvertent air bag deployment. A person may receive minor injuries, such as abrasions, from contact with the bag. Chevrolet is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Chevrolet will inspect the wiring harness for potential damage, repair or replace the harness if required, and add conduit to all harnesses. 06V-084

Freightliner is recalling 250 MY 2004-2006 B2 school buses and Thomas Built C2 school buses with air or hydraulic brakes with a one valve park brake system and park brake release interlock. At higher vehicle loads, the parking brakes may not fully apply. A bus may roll if the driver releases the service brakes before the parking brakes fully apply, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash or injure passengers entering or leaving the bus. Freightliner will notify owners and repair the park brake free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on April 14, 2006. 06V-085

Keystone RV is recalling 107 MY 2006 Mountaineer fifth wheel trailers, there is a 12 volt light in the bunk bed area. This light can come into contact with the bunk mattress when the bunk is in the closed position. If the light is left on when the bunk is in the closed position, it can scorch the mattress or result in a fire. Dealers will remove the existing light from the wall and attach a new rechargeable flashlight in its place. The recall is expected to begin during March or April 2006. 06V-086

Keystone RV recalled 18 MY 2006 Raptor fifth wheel trailers. Propane lines were incorrectly positioned during manufacturing and do not have sufficient clearance between the floor of the slide room and the outside wall of the slide room. The copper lines may get pinched when the door side slide-out is retracted. The lines could be damaged and leak propane resulting in a fire. Dealers will relocate the lines and a stop will be added to prevent the lines from being damaged in the future. The recall began on March 20, 2006. All vehicles are located at dealerships and have not been sold to consumers. 06V-087

Jayco is recalling 199 MY 2005 Escapade motor homes built on Chevrolet chassis and equipped with Bosch hydro-boost brake assemblies. The hydraulic brake booster pressure accumulator may crack and separate from the hydro-boost assembly during normal operating conditions. If a separation occurred and the hood of the vehicle was open, fragments from the accumulator could cause injury to people in the immediate area. The presence of this crack or fractured surface could allow the hydraulic fluid to leak from the accumulator circuit of the booster assembly. The loss of fluid would cause increased steering and braking effort and a crash may occur without prior warning. Chevrolet is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Chevrolet will test the hydro-boost assembly for functional operation of the two-function valve. If the hydro-boost assembly fails the test, dealers are to replace the assembly. 06V-088

Jayco is recalling 3 MY 2003 Avatar motor homes equipped with Caterpillar diesel engines. The straps that support the converter mufflers to the chassis, these welds are causing the straps to fail. When the straps fail, the muffler can drop to the ground. Caterpillar is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Caterpillar will have the converter muffler straps replaced free of charge. 06V-089

KTM is recalling 1,714 MY 2000-2003 LCA 400, LCA 640, and LC4 640 Enduro motorcycles. The front wheel spokes can become loose and break, causing further damage to adjacent components. Such a failure of a front wheel spoke could possibly damage the tire's inner tube, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will install clips to help secure a loose spoke tight to the next crossing spoke. The recall is expected to begin during April 2006. 06V-090

Jayco recalled 112 MY 2006 Greyhawk and Granite Ridge motor homes. The windshield wiper motor may have been produced without grease being applied to the output shaft gear. After a period of continuous use on the high speed setting, lack of grease on the output shaft gear may cause the gear to distort or fracture during operation resulting in a loss of wiper function. Inoperative wipers under inclement weather conditions could cause a crash due to impaired visibility. Ford is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Dealers will inspect the wiper motor for the presence of grease and grease the wiper motor gears if necessary. All vehicles have been remedied. 06V-091

Nissan is recalling 42,000 MY 2005-2006 Frontier King Cab vehicles. In a severe side impact crash there is a possibility that the structure stiffness and geometry of the body to which the fuel filler tube is mounted could create a relative displacement between the filler cap and filler door. The filler cap tether may be stretched to the point of unscrewing the cap off. This may result in a fuel spillage which in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire. Dealers will

replace the fuel cap tether pin assembly with a modified one free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on April 17, 2006. 06V-092

Four Winds is recalling 461 MY 2003-2005 Hurricane Infinity and Windsport motor homes built on Workhorse chassis and equipped with ACTIA Corporate instrument clusters for failing to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Nos. 101 "Controls and Displays" and 105 "Hydraulic and Electric Brake Systems." If the brake fail input falls below a voltage of 1.5V, the brake failure lamp and alarm will be activated. Also activation of the ABS telltale when the ABS is not properly functioning does not always occur. At night the instrument cluster lights may fail and the driver may not be able to see the instrument panel gauges and the brake warning light indicator which could increase the risk of a crash. Workhorse is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign and reprogram the instrument panel cluster free of charge. 06V-093

Spartan is recalling 54 MY 2006-2007 K2, K3, MG, and MM motor homes. The bussman box was incorrectly soldered and could fail. Electrical power may be lost to components of the major chassis operating systems (engine, transmission, starting, cooling) causing the vehicle to shutdown and/or not be capable of powering up. One or a combination of the following conditions may occur: loss of electrical power to the engine, transmission starting and engine cooling systems, in the operation of the right chassis stop/turn signal and right trailer stop/turn signal, antilock brake system (abs), auxiliary brake system, heater elements in the air dryer, and/or the heater element in the water in-fuel separator, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will replace the defective components. 06V-094

Jayco is recalling 1,107 MY 2003-2005 Greyhawk, Granite Ridge, Eagle, Escapade and Starcraft Ambient motor homes built on Ford chassis may experience stalling without warning while driving and may or may not restart. Should the engine stall, a vehicle crash could occur. Ford motor company is conducting the owner notification and remedy for this campaign. Dealers will upgrade the fuel injection control module (FICM) wire harness or replaced, and/or have a new injection control pressure (ICP) sensor connector installed free of charge. 06V-095